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In the early days of NSA, some summary reports about the Soviet Union were illustrated with the cartoon figure of "Little Joe," so named because of his uncanny resemblance to the leader of the Soviet Union. Just before and during World War II, the United States had sent military goods to its allies, including the USSR, under a program known as "Lend Lease." Today, Little Joe is inspecting one of the latest U.S. shipments under this program.

502 Caption: Little Joe seated on a stool, examining a ship in a bottle. The bottle is on a box with the label, "To: Joe, Vladivostok, From: USA --- Lend-Lose Ship Kits, complete with Grade A Bottle."